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Dear Members,

It is my duty to report to the general membership that we have had a couple of major changes in our leadership during the past month.

First, because of pressures that he is currently experiencing from his business, our president, Greg Frischnecht, has decided it would be in the club's best interest if he turned the club's leadership over to someone else. Hopefully, this will be a very temporary move.

Secondly, Harry and Afton Campbell have resigned for personal reasons. Harry was of course our founder and editor and his lovely wife served as social director.

In behalf of the club, I would like to thank these people for the untold hours of "blood, sweat, and tears" they have donated to NUTS. Our club is where it is today largely due to their unselfish and untiring efforts.

Although it seems inadequate, a sincere THANK YOU goes to Greg, Harry, and Afton. We wish each of you the best of luck in your personal endeavors.

At this point, I think it would be well to inform the membership that we are looking for a new editor. If you feel you could donate a few hours to the club each month, please let us know. You need not have the talents of a Kipling or a Shakespeare, just a willingness to work for the club.

NATIONAL UTAH TOKEN SOCIETY is alive and well, though maybe experiencing some growing pains. Let's continue to make OUR club stronger and better!!!

R. Bruce

H E R E A N D T H E R E

GREG RISCHNECHT recently acquired the following unlisted or new variety tokens: Yager Livery (Manti?) Good for Return trip to Depot, Sandinavian Store (Manti) \$1.00 variety, M.U. & Co. (Elsinore) 25¢ (I have a 5¢ but could not make out it if was M.J., M.U., or M.O.- thanks Greg!) Lee Bros. (Elsinore) new variety, Green River Drug (Green River) Good for 1¢ Soda!

BRUCE GARRETT has been very busy lately because of his work and his yard. His detecting time has been minimal, but he has still managed to dig up a small tribe of Indian heads!

JOANN ROGERS has been quite successful for the amount of time she has spent metal detecting, etc., lately. For instance, on a recent trip to the ghost towns of Kelton and Terrace she dug up 2 opium bottles, several opium box tins, and several chinese coins.

Then after returning to civilization, she found 2 Indian head pennies and a 1922 plain wheatback, all during one afternoon's hunt!!

Now I understand how she acquired the CB handle of "RADAR"!!!

BRUCE ROBINSON recently dug up a previously unrecorded Knutsford Cigar Stand.

I understand that DAVE KYTE has been "knocking 'em dead" lately with his detector. In the past couple of months he has dug up a silver dollar, an early half dime, and I hear 2- 1914 Denver wheatbacks!!!

BYRON and JOYCE ELOFORS got there new detector just before the Iosepa dig. I hear it didn't take too much arm twisting on Joyce's behalf to convince Byron that they ought to spend their vacation "ghost Townin'"!!!

What do you think about the wealth of knowledge that PHIL LAVORGNA shared with us at the last meeting? Thanks for the information and for you taking time out from a very busy schedule to enlighten us!!!! Maybe Union Pacific "can handle it", but in the early days of Utah they had plenty of help (or competition!!!)

Hey, EDNA GROSSAINT, just what is the significance of the 1972 Lincoln penny?????????

PAT ROBINSON is in the hospital after having surgery. I (especially me!!!) hope her road to recovery is a speedy one with no curves in it!!!! (Hey, guys, it ain't easy to be mom!!!!)

FRANK SOMMER recently interrupted his anniversary "date" with his lovely wife to attend a NUTS board meeting. A big kiss on the cheek to DEANNA SOMMER for being so patient, supportive and understanding!!!!!!

DAVID FREED, the Dean of Utah Tokens, recently picked up a token from Escalante, and another one from Koosharem. These are two very difficult towns to find tokens from!!! Congratulations David!!!

The following are the birthdays for July:

5th	Irv Ratcliff
19th	Phil Lavorgna
23rd	Frank Sommer (we promise-no Board meeting 7/23!!)
25th	Gaylon Rust

J U L Y O U T I N G

On July 10-and/or (depending on your individual circumstances) July 11, the NUTS club will sponsor an outing to Forest City. (See related article). We will meet at Timpanogas Cave for those that wish to caravan up Saturday July 10th at 8:00 AM. This outing is close enough to be either a 1 or 2 day trip. We will bring this up at the June meeting and hopefully be able to answer any questions you may have.

P O I N T S O R N O P O I N T S ? ? ? ?

Because of all the expenses we have incurred this year, there has been quite a number of discussions on the current point system. Quite frankly, we are not sure we will have the finances to support the proposed auction in December.

If you have any suggestions, thoughts, alternatives, solutions, etc., please let one of the Board Members know!!! This is very important, so please pull one of us aside and let us know your feelings! This is your club, but we need to have your thoughts known to act upon them. Urgent!

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SEE Y^{OU} JUNE 24, 7:15 PM



F O R E S T C I T Y
(Reprinted from "Utah Ghost
Towns" by Stephen L. Carr)

After the great silver strikes at Alta in 1868-69, it did not take prospectors very long to examine the other side of the mountain over in American Fork Canyon. Directly south of Alta just 2-3 miles over the steep ridges, more silver was located and the American Fork Mining District was founded. The Principle mine was the Miller which was sold to an eastern United States for \$120,000 in 1871. The mine was developed and the Sultana smelter built in one of the flat valleys up in the canyon called the Dutchman Flat for the Wild Dutchman mine just up the hill. A Typical mining town began to grow around the smelter with associated mine and smelter offices, supply warehouses, 15 charcoal kilns, livery stables-then several homes, bunkhouses, boarding houses, a few stores as school and a saloon.

...Population figures vary--some old-timers indicated 2-3000 people lived in the upper part of the canyon, most of them at Forest City. Other references put the town population at barely 150. . . . The town was small and remote and fairly quiet as mining towns go but did witness a few killings. An epidemic swept through one year consigning many more to graveyard flat than by killings.

. . . People move on by 1880 leaving the buildings to nature and anyone else needing lumber. In 1904 further exploration revealed more good ore and the mines were worked another three years bringing out several hundred thousand dollars.

There have been numerous sporadic, small-time operations on various claims, even until the 1950's, making a man just enough to buy his grub for the next week. It is estimated that there are many thousands of dollars lying in reserve waiting for the proper price of silver to develop.

State Highway 80 swings east off Interstate 15 about 24 miles south of Salt Lake City. At 2.3 miles past the Timpanogos Cave National Monument headquarters in the middle of the canyon the Alpine Scenic Loop Road (Highway 80) continues off to the right, and a paved road bends to the left. Notice the old narrow gauge railroad bed in places on the south side of the narrow canyon. Follow the road to the left, which was built largely on the railroad grade, for 2.1 miles, almost all paved, up to the spillway of the Tibble Fork Reservoir. This is the site of the transfer town of Deer Creek. Continuing past the reservoir another 4.5 miles on a very rough, dirt road suitable only for pick-ups, one arrives at Dutchman Flat and the site of Forest City.

RAFFLE NEWS

Starting with the next month's issue of the Token Hunter, we will list the items that will be raffled at the next meeting. Larry Beutler has been given the go ahead to start purchasing some items for the raffle, so I think we will start to see some very good stuff show up. He's already talked to a couple of dealers who will give us price breaks, etc. for items to be raffled.

As we all know, oftentimes the area coin shops do not always have tokens for sale. We have also decided that if any members have tokens that they would consider selling to the club, rather than donate (although we would also still like and accept donations!!!) get with Larry.

You may have a couple of tokens that are too nice to just donate to the club, but are traders. These are the kind of items we are looking for!!

Also, as Larry mentioned last month, We are still looking for other items such as books, magazines, metal detecting items, etc., to be donated to the club to be used in the raffle.

I think beginning with the June meeting, we will see a real change for the better with the raffle!!!

WORD SEARCH
By Bruce Garrett

Z O T T J F N C D B A U X C
S C B E G A M O T F M G H B
A L X C S L N O S L E I N F
M A R T I N C S J N G F C O
O R S B O J A B S D E B T D
H K X H N K X H Y E V R A H
T S C U E M C K O K N Y O C
Z E B D D O S O L E C X B S
S K C O I R R J L K U N Z I
B N X T V G O X A Y T D K M
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S T T E B B I T C K X J S G

KUNZI
LEGGETT
MALLOY
MARTIN
MORGAN
ELFORS
FRANKE

NIELSON
SIMONS
SORENSEN
THOMAS
TIBBETTS
HANSEN
JANSSEN

BLAYLOCK
CLARK
COY
DONNOHUE
DOTSON
HARVEY
JIVIDEN

EXPEDITIONS

Below is the proposed outings for 1982. Dates & locations will be confirmed at the June meeting.

July 10-11, Forest City, Utah Co. - Ghost town; gold, silver, copper, lead and zinc mines

Aug. 21-22 Scranton & Topliff, Tooele Co. - Mining ghost towns
or
Mammoth & Silver City, Juab Co. - Partial "ghosts"

Sept. 11-12 Jacob City, Tooele Co. - Ghost with some buildings standing
or
Sunshine & West Dip, Tooele Co. - Mining ghost towns

Oct. No outing - due to the hunting seasons

Nov. 6 Delle, Tooele Co. - Railroad siding ghost town
or
Lark, Salt Lake Co. - Recent ghost

Dec. No outing - due to the holidays

Jan. 22 Saltaire, Salt Lake Co. - Old resort site

Submitted by Larry Beutler - Com. #5



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